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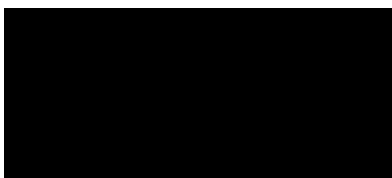
Batman renaming

I am writing to support fully the reasons behind City of Darebin's submission to rename the Batman electorate. The alternative name of Simon Wonga is a good choice and appropriate for the area.

Another choice would be Gumbri, also known as Jessie Hunter, was a much loved and respected Wurundjeri Elder. Her name means 'white dove' in Woi wurrung, the traditional language of the Wurundjeri people. She was the last girl born on the Coranderrk Aboriginal Reserve in Healesville. This name chosen to rename Northcote's Batman reserve.

It is another opportunity to be forward thinking and not be a society that lives in denial. In an electorate that has a larger than normal indigenous population, wrt the city of Melbourne, I am ashamed as a non indigenous Australian to live within an electorate that bears the name of Batman.

Sincerely,



James Dawson